

MINUTES
EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, May 25, 2021

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Weld called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present in-person: Kate Beaton, Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson Catherine Emmanuelle, Jeremy Gragert, David Klinkhammer, John Lor and Terry Weld. The following Council Members were present remotely: Emily Anderson and Andrew Werthmann.

UPDATE

Update by Interim City Manager Solberg regarding City operations and local response during the COVID-19 pandemic.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, May 25, 2021:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the May 11, 2021 Council Legislative Session and May 18, 2021 Special Meeting.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting the renewal of bartender licenses for the 2021-2023 licensing period.
- Granting a permanent expansion of the Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage and Class B Cabaret licensed premise of Galloway Grille, LLC, d/b/a Galloway Grille, Jody S. Kvapil, agent, at 409 Galloway Street, to include an 800 square foot patio.
- Granting a Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license to PDR Enterprises, Inc, d/b/a Pizza Del Re, 911 N. Hastings Way, Keith A. Carlson, agent.
- Authorizing the City of Eau Claire Police Department to apply for a Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant from the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance.
- Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2021-01, Cannery District Street Improvements.
- Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2021-37 City-Wide Milling & Asphalt Paving.
- Approving an offer to purchase for the sale of Lot 5 in Sky Park to Girdhari Trust.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the consent resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROCLAMATION

President Weld read a proclamation proclaiming June as Pride Month in the City of Eau Claire, and encouraging all residents to promote equality, enrich alliances, inspire inclusion, and celebrate diversity.

LICENSE

The City Council considered a resolution granting a Combination “Class B” Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage license to 422 Water Street LLC, d/b/a Social Club, 410 Galloway Street, Lisa K. Aspenson, agent. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Volume One Events, LLC to conduct the Sounds Like Summer Concert Series on Thursdays in June, July and August, 2021 at Phoenix Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Volume One to conduct Food Truck Fridays one Friday of each month in June, July, August and September, 2021 along Riverfront Terrance in city parking spaces along the Phoenix Park Great Lawn. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Lor “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing U.S. National Kubb Championship to conduct the U.S. National Kubb Championship Tournament on July 8-11, 2021 at the Eau Claire Soccer Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the Eau Claire Patriotic Council to conduct the Memorial Day Parade and Program on Monday, May 31, 2021, at Owen Park and along city streets and sidewalks. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Eau Claire Express Baseball to conduct the Express Postgame Fireworks Shows and the Scout Camp Outs during the summer of 2021 at Carson Park Baseball Stadium. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Beaton, Berge, Emmanuelle, Gragert, Klinkhammer, Lor and Weld. Nay: Council Members Anderson, Christopherson and Werthmann.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Eau Claire Express Baseball and Fusion Events to conduct the Carson Goes Country Concert Event on Friday, July 23, 2021, at Carson Park Baseball Stadium. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Eau Claire Municipal Band to conduct the Eau Claire Municipal Band Summer Concert Series on Wednesday evenings from June 9, 2021 through July 28, 2021 with practices held on Monday evenings at Owen Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the LGBT Community Center of the Chippewa Valley to conduct the Chippewa Valley Pride Festival on Saturday, June 12, 2021, on the Phoenix Park Lawn and on city streets. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the RCU Foundation, Inc. to conduct the Rock the Riverfront - RCU Charity Classic virtually from June 5, 2021 through June 28, 2021 at Phoenix Park and along city trails and sidewalks. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Spirit Lutheran Church to conduct the Praise in the Park worship services on Sundays from June 6, 2021 through August 29, 2021 at Phoenix Park in the Amphitheater. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

The City Council considered a resolution amending the Adopted General Fund Budget of the City of Eau Claire for Fiscal Year 2020. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Lor “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

AGREEMENTS

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing execution of the Department of Natural Resources Principal Forgiveness Financial Assistance Agreement through the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation to accept a \$250,000 grant from the WEDC Community Development Investment Grant program per the Development Agreement with Merge Urban Development as part of the redevelopment of the Railroad Lot site located at 100 Farwell Street. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution approving the terms of a lease agreement between Barstow Commons, LLC and the City of Eau Claire regarding the Gibson Street Municipal Parking Ramp. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

REMOTE MEETING ATTENDANCE

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing remote attendance at City Council and Public Meetings. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property located at 3735 Jeffers Road from R-1A and R-1 to R-1P and to adopt the general development plan for a church (Z-1692-21). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Anderson, Beaton, Berge, Christopherson, Emmanuelle, Gragert, Klinkhammer and Weld. Nay: Council Members Lor and Werthmann.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: May 25, 2021

Time: 5:54 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld
Council President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl
City Clerk